

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A vehicle hitch assembly (10) includes a stamped sheet metal cross tube (16) of an elongated shape with a central hitch support section (18) and lateral ends (20) mounted on the vehicle. A pair of stamped sheet metal members (22) of the sheet metal cross tube (16) each have intermediate portions (24) that project away from each other as well as having spaced peripheral flanges (26, 28) that are engaged with and secured to the peripheral flanges of the other stamped sheet metal member. The central hitch support section (18) of the stamped sheet metal cross tube (16) has a hitch ball support (32) for mounting a ball hitch on the hitch assembly.